



Lions Clubs International  
Lions District 19 - I  
**The Laughing Lion**  
Edition 4, October 2022



### Dearest Lions of 19 - I

How has the first Quarter of the year already passed???

It has been such a joy for me to begin to visit Clubs, and although several have had to reschedule from my original plan, in September I clocked over 4000 km on the little VW Jetta! How wonderful that Zone Chairs James Sekora and Kevin Borde were able to pick me up from ferries, and Environment Chair for MD 19, Nancy Messmer, was able to drive me back, or it would have been closer to 4400 km (that's 2734 Miles for Zone 1 translation!) Thank you, Nancy and Roy, and all of the Lions of Clallam Bay Seiku for your fabulous hospitality and adding me as a Friend of the Hoko Farm:

(<https://www.parks.wa.gov/321/Hoko-River>) .

I was able to visit Maine Island Lions for their Labour Day BBQ, Esquimalt Lions to induct a new member, Saltspring Lions for a fabulous dinner, get thrown in the Sooke Lions Jail to support Childhood Cancer research efforts, Ladysmith Lions to induct another member, Victoria Lions to introduce a potential new Lion, Mill Bay Lions to learn about their vital roles in their community, and Lake Cowichan Lions to induct another Lion. Qualicum Bay rounded out the month with a fabulous dinner and cake with ZC Lynne Davidson. My travels included a drive out to Calgary for the US/Canada Forum, so not a typical DG month, but great to learn more about applying for Grants, building clubs and motivation!

It is so encouraging to know that Clubs are up and running again, back to some service projects, and Thinking Outside of the Box, Dreaming Big, and saying "Together We Can!"

New members are joining, and giving a boost to Clubs everywhere. We have added 47 new Lions across District I since July 1st. Fantastic work, Lions, sharing the joy of Service in our communities. We are now 1132 Lions strong!!! Remember to give every one of these Lions an Orientation and support their new ideas and efforts.

Three months in a row of perfect service reporting, as well, with hundreds of service hours and thousands of dollars raised. Where there's a Need, There's a Lion! Well done, Club Secretaries and District Administrator PDG Cec!

Please support Tour de Rock in supporting research into Childhood Cancer as they head from Port Alice down the Island through all of our communities this month.

And please remember that this is Globally our Vision Month. Collect glasses, please, and prepare for Diabetes month next, and have your Club sign up for the Steps Challenge. I believe 11 Clubs are actively participating now. Not every member has to join, but every step counts. Your body will thank you!

I hope to see many of you at the Penticton MD Conference this month, and am thrilled to report that I will be bringing back a Dog Guide from Oakville at the end of the month. This dog will work with me and my staff at the Raven's Nest Child and Youth Advocacy Centre ( [ravensnestcyac.ca](http://ravensnestcyac.ca) ), with kids who are victims of abuse and other crimes. Please continue to support Dog Guides of Canada through our Foundation.

Lia Versaevel DG 19 I



# Lions Club International - Our leaders 2022 - 2023



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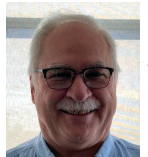
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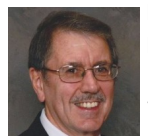
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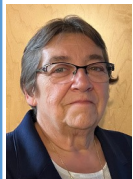
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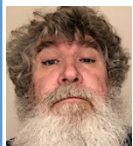


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**Introducing -  
3rd VICE PRESIDENT  
A. P. SINGH**



A. P. Singh, of Kolkata, India, was elected to serve as Third Vice President of Lions Clubs International at the association's 104th International Convention, June 22 through June 28, 2022.

Vice President Singh is a practicing chartered accountant and has family business interests in automobile dealerships.

A Lion since 1984 and a member of the Calcutta Vikas Lions Club, Vice President Singh has held many positions within the association, including district governor and council chairperson.

He has served as GMT international coordinator for four years and as a member on a number of ad hoc board committees. He was chairperson for the 2017 DGE seminar in Chicago, USA, and has served as faculty at more than 50 ALLIs/RLLIs, RLLIs, FDIs and LCIP certification programs. He has also served as multi-national coordinator for Campaign SightFirst II, CA leader for Campaign 100, member of the LCIF Steering Committee and as chairperson of the National SightFirst Committee of India.

Vice President Singh has participated in and presented seminars at Area Forums in all constitutional areas. He was the co-chairperson of the Organizing Committee for the ISAAME Forum in Kolkata, India.

In recognition of his service to the association, Vice President Singh has received numerous awards, including multiple International President's Awards, as well as the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association grants its members. He is a major gift donor for Campaign SightFirst II and Campaign 100, and a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Singh is accredited with the initiation of various service programs in collaboration with other trusts, foundations and corporate houses. He has worked on establishing a web-based Lions leadership development platform, a micro-finance program, and has organized multiple large-scale online events to keep Lions engaged.

Vice President Singh

**USEFUL WEBSITES/FACEBOOK**

**Lions International**  
[lionsclubs.org](http://lionsclubs.org)

**Intl President Brian Sheehan**  
<https://www.facebook.com/LionsPresident/>

**District 19 I / Facebook**  
[lions19i.ca](http://lions19i.ca)  
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**Multiple District 19**  
[lionsmd19.org](http://lionsmd19.org)

**Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF**  
[lionsofcanadafundforlcif.ca](http://lionsofcanadafundforlcif.ca)

**BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities**  
[lionsbc.ca](http://lionsbc.ca)

**C.A.R.E. Project**  
[lionsmd.org](http://lionsmd.org)

**Lions of BC Hearing Conservation Society**  
[lionsofbchearingsociety.org](http://lionsofbchearingsociety.org)

**Leader Dogs for the Blind**  
[leaderdog.org](http://leaderdog.org)

**Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides**  
[dogguides.com](http://dogguides.com)

**Diabetes Awareness**  
[diabetes.ca](http://diabetes.ca)

**Northwest Lions Foundation - restoring sight, hearing and hope**  
[nlfoundation.org](http://nlfoundation.org)

**Lions Club International Foundation**  
[lcif.org](http://lcif.org)

**Global Action Team (GAT)**  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2236757789943562>



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Together we can with International President, Brian Sheehan



Dear Lion,

One of the best parts of being a Lion is that every day you can see how your service changes lives right outside your door. But that's only the beginning. Because whether your focus is local or global, your impact goes far beyond your community. Especially when we serve our global causes.

Our global causes unite the talents and innovation of every Lion and Leo around the world. So if you're looking to take on an ambitious new service project, consider one of our global causes. And no matter how you serve, keep it up because Together We Can starts with you.

Make a great day,

Brian Sheehan  
International President



Every journey begins with a single step. One act of service, one encouraging word, one gift of generosity is often all it takes to bring hope where it's needed most.

Over the last 100 years, the kindness of Lions and Leos has multiplied across borders, oceans, and continents. With over 1.4 million members, we now have an opportunity to truly change our world.

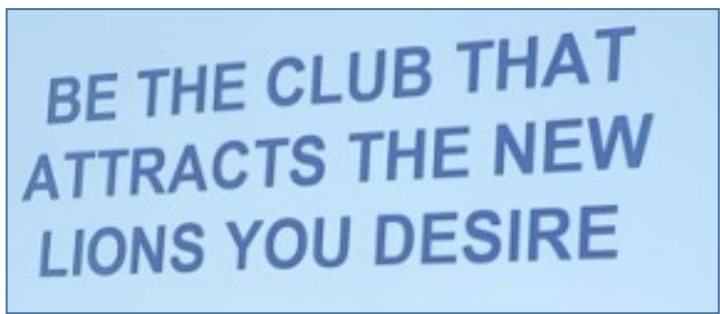
That's why we're uniting our global service around five areas of need. These Global Causes present significant challenges to humanity, and we believe it's our turn to meet them.

Our Service Vision

Our service changes the world by uniting it with a shared vision of hope. Watch a special video message from President Sheehan about how our work brings together people from all walks of life to serve local needs and global causes.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?tm_source=Eloqua&utm_campaign=MTG_EN_All+Lion+September+Newsletter_2022&utm_medium=email&v=AOKaxPLEwlc&feature=youtu.be)

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FIND THE JOY IN BEING A LION  
Brian Sheehan International President from his speech to the Lions in Calgary.  
*"Let's all be on a mission to share the Joy we find in being Lions and Serving in our communities."*





## Care International and Multiple District 19 Lions

Initially Lions Club international (the largest service organization in the world and CARE the largest humanitarian organization in the world) partnered to provide support for programs in the poorest of poor countries. As LCI developed their own charitable arm, Lions Club International Foundation, that partnership ended. However, a MD 19 Council Chair named Gordon F. Smith proposed that MD 19 Lions continue to work with CARE International and that partnership has continued since 1958.

Every 2 years, the Council of Governors chooses the project that Lions will support usually from three options presented by the CARE Liaison working with MD 19. After the project is chosen, the 9 districts are asked to support this project by raising \$40,000 for each year of the project. The project will not start until the money has been raised. Most of the projects chosen are dealing with women and children as this group are among the poorest and in need of the most help. Most of our CARE projects take place in Central America or the northern part of South America. Often dealing with education, sustainable food sources, health care, and many other concerns that we take for granted.

As we are starting our new Lion's year, I would ask clubs to consider donating to the project Lions are supporting which is in Haiti. The project is to keep older students in school longer as most only receive a grade 3 education. Because hunger is a main issue in Haiti, CARE will be providing meals as an incentive to attending school.

Your Donations can be sent to: in Canada: CARE c/o MD 19 Lions P.O. Box 1621 Aldergrove BC, V4W 2V1 U.S.A. : CARE c/o MD19 Lions 4141 Bennett Drive, Bellingham WA 98226

Thank you for your support. **PDG Jane Beddows CARE Chair 19!**

### Gordon F Smith CARE Fellowship

The Gordon F. Smith CARE Fellowship was launched by Multiple District 19 in 2004 in honor of PDG Gordon F. Smith, who served as the MD19 Executive Secretary–Treasurer from 1960 to 1985. Gordon Smith initiated a long–standing Lions–CARE partnership. He became the first recipient of the Fellowship at the 2004 MD19 Fall Forum in Richmond, British Columbia.



CARE, which Lions have chosen to partner with on international projects since 1958, is one of the world's leading humanitarian and philanthropic organizations. It is dedicated to working with the poorest of the poor.

#### Award A Fellowship

Lions Clubs are now able to purchase Gordon F. Smith CARE Fellowships for every \$50000 (U.S. Funds or Canadian funds) donated to CARE through MD19 during a Lions year.

Fellowships can be awarded to a Lion or to any individual a Lions club wants to honor. Fellowship recipients receive a beautiful pin and a certificate. Gordon F. Smith Fellowships can be presented at the club, zone or district levels.

If your club would like to have a fellowship awarded, complete an application form ([https://lionsmd19.org/downloads/gordon\\_smith\\_fellow\\_application.pdf](https://lionsmd19.org/downloads/gordon_smith_fellow_application.pdf)) and send it to the MD19 Lions Office. If you would like more information, please contact the MD19 Lions Office (md19\_lions@lionsmd19.com), or call (360) 733-4911. CARE donations must be made to and processed by the MD19 office, not directly to CARE, to qualify for a Fellowship award.

A Gordon F. Smith Fellowship is an additional way to support the CARE project chosen by MD19 each year. Through CARE, MD19 Lions have helped build clean water systems, improve maternal health for women and children, stop the sexual exploitation of children and fill many other philanthropic needs throughout the world.

#### Earn A Banner Patch

In addition to the Fellowship, any MD19 Lions Club contributing a minimum of \$500 per member during the Lions Year (July 1 to June 30) will receive a CARE banner patch. The first year a club reaches the minimum of \$500 per member, a starter patch with the word CARE on it will be sent along with a year rocker patch. After the first year, only the year patch will be sent.



## Diabetes Awareness

Is your club jumping in on the Fitness Challenge this year? If so, the steps for the first week are required. September 12-18, and the second week September 19-25th with the next week September 26 - October 2nd. Come on, it's not too late!

If there is a Coordinator taking care of recording the steps and sending to me could you give me their name?

Also, this year besides the trophy for first place there will be a prize for the top accumulated steps of an individual :)

I'm amazed at some of the steps that have been recorded so far! This is going to be a challenge to remember.

Cheers

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<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/diabetes/strides>

## Mayne Island Lions

I have to be the luckiest District Governor in the world. I have an International District (USA/Canada) that includes dozens of coastal and island communities embodying Together We Can! Mayne Island Lions held their Annual BBQ yesterday with music, a 50/50 draw, Bingo and games for their community to raise funds for their service projects, and I got to join the fun. What a dedicated group of people!



From International Vice President Patti Hill - Lions Learning and Lions service are meant to be fun!

Following up on the great success of the USA CANADA Leadership Forum in Calgary, all of

us have been called upon to support the growth of Volunteers through our Lions and Leos growth programs, to remember to dedicated ourselves to being the best community and global humanitarians each of us can be, and to live out the anthem **"TOGETHER WE CAN"**. Special thanks to our President, Brian Sheehan, and Lion Lori Sheehan and the entire team of organizers for ensuring that our Experience in YYC left us inspired and ready to serve.







## Clallam Bay-Sekiu Lions

by Karen Duker

September was another busy month for our club! ZC Kevin Borde drove out from Port Angeles to induct members (Jeff Howell and Cambria and Fred Grant) He then installed Lion Jeff as our King Lion and Lion Mike Duker as our Treasurer. Following these ceremonies at the Clallam Bay Park, members gathered at our clubhouse to enjoy a potluck dinner followed by a General Meeting.

On September 13th Lion Bill was at our club house to help with those needing rental assistance. The following weekend our club participated in the Great Strait Sale.

On Saturday, September 17th we partnered with the Clallam Bay Chamber of Commerce to hold the Fall Beach Clean-up. ZC Kevin accompanied DG Lia Versaavel on September 21 for her official visitation.



8 Sept 2022 Clallam Bay Sekiu Lions induct new members and Club officers at beautiful Clallam Bay Park. Zone I-1 Chair, Kevin Borde, came from Port Angeles to conduct the inductions. Watch the video <https://youtu.be/xJlxYDJPIDc>



After a BBQ hamburger/potluck dinner, DG Lia gave a very informative presentation to our club. The annual Potato Dig/Seed Swap at the Cowan Heritage farm was held on Sunday, September 25th. Hosts for this project were Lions Roy And Nancy, Friends of the Hoko River State Park.



We look forward to another induction ceremony later in the year for folks who were unable to attend.

## Sooke Lions Club

So getting back into it was good fun! We had 3 major events to put together - Cops for Cancer Tour de Rock 'Jail and Bail' on Sept 10, Sept 25 we have the Town Hall meeting with the Sooke Council and the Public to discuss our participation in building a Community Activity Center for our community & on Oct 1 we are having our 1st Oktoberfest Dinner for hopefully 250 hungry Sookies.

Lion Steve Wright & his wife Ailsa, President of the Sooke District Lioness Lions, took on the major roles of putting on our Tour de Rock event, & of course all 3 Lions Clubs of Sooke were totally involved in the 'Jail and Bail' fund raiser. The Tour de Rock rider, Sooke resident Karen Robinson, is a Constable with the Saanich Police Dept & was a big help in keeping the day focused. We 'jailed' 40+ local people, including Premier Horgan & Mayor Tait, & kept them locked up un\*il they could raise appropriate bail money. The community turned out in droves & so far we have raised over \$24,000, & growing, for our Cops for Cancer sponsorship.

Our Oktoberfest Dinner will feature authentic German food, some German & locally brewed beer along with entertainment & perhaps some polka dancing.

**SOOKE LIONS PRESENT**

# Oktoberfest

**SOOKE COMMUNITY HALL**  
 DATE: OCT 1 2022 • 6:00PM TO 10:00PM  
 DOORS OPEN 5:30  
 AUTHENTIC GERMAN DINNER 6:30-7:30PM  
 MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT by Ron Sera  
 \$25.00 Each

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 To Whitehorse-  
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 \*\*\*\*LIMITED SEATING\*\*\*\*  
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## Esquimalt Lions

by Anne-Louise Gibbons

September has been a busy month for the Esquimalt Lions.

On Labour Day Monday, Esquimalt Lions served hot dogs and burgers at a Labour Council BBQ.

The 2022 Esquimalt Rib Fest ran from 9-11 September. Most of the Club worked at this four-day event, when one adds a set-up day. This large and successful event featured a BBQ rib contest, live music, a dance floor, and all things edible from beer to ice cream including the Esquimalt Lions serving hot dogs, burgers, and buttered corn under our new tent. 24 September saw two events: our bimonthly bottle drive held in the Archie Browning Parking Lot, as well as BBQing and serving food, for the first time in two years, at "Story Time" in the Esquimalt Town Square.



On 22 September, the Club is BBQing and serving food during a "Meet the Teacher" BBQ at a local school.



DG Lia visited the club Sept 6th.



Pictured left is DG Lia installing Phlower Longi with his sponsor Bill Emery in the back.

Pictured right is DG Lia presenting Club President Kelly Kurta with a BC Lions Foundation award for a major fundraiser.



## LICON 2023 Boston JULY 7 - JULY 11 2023 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Greetings Fellow Lions,

These are exciting times!!

Picture this!.. Lions and Friends from all over the world converging in Boston for the **2023 Lions Clubs International Convention**.

Boston, Massachusetts has been selected to host the 2023 Lions Clubs International Convention. This means that the Lions of Massachusetts will have a huge undertaking. We have taken on the challenge and we are up to the task. <https://licon2023boston.com/>



## Gabriola

by Maureen Morgan

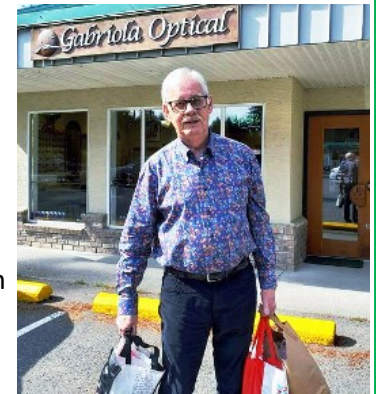
The Gabriola Lions club were very busy in the latter part of the summer supporting 7 local organizations with pancake breakfasts and barbecued lunches and dinners. They served over 700 servings from pancakes to steak burgers and hotdogs. The Gabriola Lions club answers the call to serve when asked and it doesn't go unnoticed; their service to the Community was kindly recognized at a party in the honour of the Lions Club. What a great Community Gabriola Island is and what a fantastic Lions Club Gabriola Island has!



Keeping the crowds well fed and happy! Making sure the everyone stays hydrated!

Credit for pictures Betsy Banford

Thank you, Norm from the Gabriola Island Lions Club . 100's of pairs a glasses will be recycled to those globally in need. [#kindnessmatters](#) [#vision](#) [#lionsvision](#)



## Alberni Valley Lions

By Ron Metcalfe

### North Island College Cook-out

On September 13, 2022, six Alberni Valley Lions gathered to cook hot dogs and serve beverages at the annual "Welcome Back Students" event at the Port Alberni campus of North Island College. Informational booths were set up in the college lobby and a tent was erected outside so students could help themselves to a free snack. The cookout was a contract event sponsored by the college with funds raised supporting various activities of the Lions Club. Special emphasis was placed on the new piece of playground equipment, a Zip Track, at Roger Creek Park. A sign was posted reminding people to support the Alberni Valley Lions on-line Auction in November and noted that we were more than half-way to our fundraising goal. A You Tube movie of the event is available at:



<https://youtu.be/VTBVcJkk2xU>

### 2022 Terry Fox Run

On September 19, 2022, nine Alberni Valley Lions gathered to assist with the 42nd Terry Fox Run at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 293. Beautiful weather greeted both volunteers and participants for the event. Runners and walkers of all ages and abilities plus a few of our 4-legged friends participated. As Covid -19 was still a factor, we did not serve our usual breakfast. Bottled water was available to those interested. A You Tube movie of the event is available at:

<https://youtu.be/Uk7qXCiX7fA>







## Malahat Lions

by Raye Pinder

As the summer is drawing to a close so do our events of the season. The Senior's Baseball tournament, Special Woodstock, Cobble Hill Fair and the Cody Baseball tournament have all been a success.



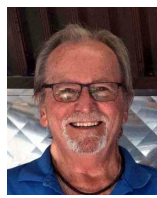
Can collecting and sorting continue as does care of the Shawnigan cemetery.

We have had a pleasant visitation from our new ZC Margaret Wall and her husband Martin, also PZC Betty Anne Herbert.



Our hard working crew L-R Tom Worth; Chris Minor; Lois Turner; Suzanne Murray-Aronson; Norm Wills; Jeanette Eby; and Orly Eby

We look forward to those activities that we are able to take on during the Fall and Winter. Stay well, stay safe.



## Sidney Lions

by Bill Deslaurier

Our Club had a busy summer with the Sidney Lions Lunchbox, capping off the year with attendance at the BC Aviation Museum's Open House, where we sold burgers, dogs, fries and Onion rings.



They were selling tickets on various prizes, and I won the main prize of a flight for 6 on a Grumman Mallard!!

We took off on Monday, Oct. 12 for a 1 1/2 to 2 hr. Flight, which included a water landing and take-off from Lake Cowichan. A trip of a lifetime!

Happy flying fellow Lions

WHAT ARE PRIMARY ELEMENTS OF LIONS CLUB?

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0.98	6.94	3.44	15.99	3.04	14.01	2.58
32.06	2.55	12.01	174.97	2.04	10.81	
Lithium	Oxygen	Nitrogen	Sulfur	Carbon	Lutetium	Boron
ALKALI METAL	REACTIVE NON METAL	REACTIVE NON METAL	REACTIVE NON METAL	REACTIVE NON METAL	LANTHANOID	METALLOID

→ NATURALLY, IT IS THE CHEMISTRY BETWEEN MEMBERS





PIC Lion's Club fundraising chair Steve Wright (left) with Tour de Rock rider Const. Karen Robinson, and B.C. Premier John Horgan at Jail and Bail fundraiser.



Cranky Judge Al Beddows had a heavy gavel.

Another successful joint club initiative completed! Our Cops for Cancer - Tour de Rock Jail and Bail fundraiser this month raised almost \$24,000.00 for pediatric cancer research and programs/services for Vancouver Island children battling cancer. The Sooke Lions, Sooke District Lioness Lions & Sooke Harbourside Lions all participated in hosting this important fundraiser. Special thanks to BC Premier John Horgan, District Governor Lia Versaevel and Sooke Mayor Maja Tait for attending the Jail and Bail.

Submitted by Lion Ailsa Wright, President Sooke District Lioness Lions

Sooke's heart and generosity were on full display once again at the Jail and Bail fundraiser for Tour de Rock. The event on Sept. 10 for the Cops for Cancer Tour de Rock, which runs Sept. 24 to Oct. 7.

"We were overwhelmed by the amount raised and the community's support," said Lion's Club fundraising co-chair Steve Wright, who was a rider in the 2014 Tour de Rock while serving as a sergeant with the West Shore RCMP. "It's another great example of three local Lion's Clubs coming together to raise an amazing total for a great cause. A lot of participants who got arrested for the event said they had a lot of fun and everyone we talked to enjoyed themselves."



## Sooke Harbourside Lions

by Deb Schenk

The term starts out fast and furious with us cooking up a storm. Hotdogs were the flavour of the month at The Fall fair Concession and "Home"

– an event honouring the shared health, well-being and connection to the ecosystem as one community of T'Sou-ke and Sooke on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish Peoples.



We had some jail term served at Jail n Bail raising \$ for Cops for Cancer. Lion Bev was arrested for Outdoing the Energizer Bunny! She says he needs to step it up!

I know we as a club will continue to do just that with many events planned for October such as our Zone Chair visit, doing Steak night at the Legion with our fellow Lions and selling the very popular calendars with so many prizes! Not to be forgotten or missed is our STUD trip. You will have to tune in next month to hear all about it!





PEACE

LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONTEST



## International Peace Poster Contest 2022 – 2023

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring a very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity.

### Lead with Compassion

Children know how powerful compassion can be. They're often able to express this feeling more openly than adults. This year, we invite young people to explore and visually express the peaceful future that compassionate leadership brings.

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

October 1: Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

November 15: Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the DG.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a DG to send one winning district poster to MD council chairperson.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a DG not belonging to a MD to send one winning poster to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.

December 1: Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.

December 15: Postmark deadline for the MD council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.

February 1: International winners notified on or before this date.

### Order a Peace Poster Contest Kit

To sponsor the Peace Poster Contest, Lions clubs can order a contest kit from January 15 to October 1. A kit is needed for each contest sponsored.

*\*To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).*

<https://lionsclubsinternational.myshopify.com/collections/kits/products/ppk1>

### PEACE POSTER KIT 2022-2023 PPK1EN \$11.95

Peace Poster 2022-2023 Contest Kit, "Lead with Compassion". Each kit contains all the materials needed to sponsor the contest in a school or youth group, including complete rules, promotional material and recognition certificates for participants. One kit is needed for each entry sponsored. Kits are available in all eleven languages. **Kits are sold from January 15th through October 1st.**

**Orders received after October 1st will be filled based on availability.**

### 2021/22 Peace Poster International Merit Award winner



Happy International Day of Peace! Anja Rožen (Slovenia), 13, was the 2021-22 Lions Clubs International #PeacePoster Contest Grand Prize Winner. Her winning poster expressed that "We are all members of the Earth community and we need each other to survive."



**Lions, the deadline to purchase a kit and sponsor a contest is October 1!**



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Willow Point Community Hall

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help us provide the five things all Canadian kids need:

- Strong positive relationships with people who care about them
- Safe and caring places to live, learn and play
- Opportunities to provide service to others, learn and try new things
- Healthy habits
- Hope for the future

## Lions Quest Canada

PO Box 27016, Dundas McLaren RPO, Cambridge, ON N1R 8H1

[www.lionsquest.ca](http://www.lionsquest.ca)

800-265-2680

### Willow Point Lions Club

It may seem a bit early, but it's nice to see that Willow Point Lion's will be holding their Christmas Craft fair on Saturday 5th November 2022

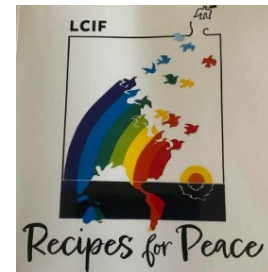


For table information

contact Della at 250-923-1439 Crafters set-ups at 8am doors open to public 10 am annual event coming back after a 2 year absence!! Always fun with lots of goodies ! 🌲



December 8th was our annual Christmas light tour with 18 buses and a few handy darts, and after cookies and hot chocolate to warm up with. At the Sportsplex



Recipes for peace Do you have your Recipes .for Peace book?

RECIPES FOR PEACE COOKBOOK NOW AVAILABLE!

Order your copy today!

<https://bit.ly/recipesforpeace>

### Sooke District Lioness Lions

Do you need school supplies? SDLL were proud to team up with **The Sooke Food Bank** today and help with the annual distribution of free school supplies to those in need in our Community! Our members will be at the Sooke Community Hall again on the next 2 Thursdays 8th & 15th September during the food bank regular hours. Thank you to SDL Lions Gail, Teri, Elaine, Bev and Heather for volunteering today and BTW ladies those are some 'winning' smiles 😊 😊 😊







## DIRECTOR position available October 2024 > ACT NOW <

### **Greetings from PZC Richard Simonson BC/Yukon Director of LFCDG.**

It is nomination time for the position of BC/Yukon Director 2024-2027.

This is the official call, per MD 19 Policy governing the selection of the next candidate, for the position of BC/Yukon Director.

All Canadian Lions of MD19 are eligible to be nominated (as per By-laws/Policy). You need to submit your letter of intent to run to your District Governor. Elections rules apply so your application needs to be received by your District Governor by December 31, 2022.

Your District Governor has received the complete information to share with anyone interested in this position.

All successful candidates will be interviewed by a committee of the Council of Governors and myself. The successful candidate's name is then provided to the Board of Directors of the Foundation to be placed on the ballot at the 2024 AGM if the Lions Foundation of Canada.

For further information, please contact your District Governor ([versaevel.liamarie@gmail.com](mailto:versaevel.liamarie@gmail.com)) or myself. ([Richards.BC-Yukon@shaw.ca](mailto:Richards.BC-Yukon@shaw.ca))



Dear Lions of 19-I Club and Community Impact Grants are now available and WE ARE ELIGIBLE to apply! We can get up to **US\$8,566.41 = \$11,382.33 Cdn** at current exchange rates!

Please brainstorm in your Club executives and Zones about how we can best use these funds.

Thanks to every Lion and Club who has contributed; this money comes right back to our communities, so let's not leave it sitting in the bank!

Below is an I received from LCIF. DG Lia.

"Congratulations! Your district has qualified to participate in Lions Clubs International Foundation's District and Club Community Impact grant (DCG) program. Learn more about the program at [lionsclubs.org/DCG](https://lionsclubs.org/DCG).

Based on cumulative eligible donations of US\$12,810.74 to LCIF during last Lion year, your district can now apply for a DCG of as much as US\$8,566.41 to support local humanitarian service activities. The second figure includes funds your district may have earned through previous eligible donations to LCIF. Eligible donations include those to LCIF's Empowering Service Fund and to the Area of Greatest Need. Donations to LCIF's Disaster Relief Fund, and other designated donations, do not count toward cumulative giving.

District DCG funds achieved in a given fiscal year are available, upon approval of a DCG grant application, for as many as 15 years. If you decide to apply for a DCG this year, LCIF recommends consulting your immediate past district governor during the application process.

Questions regarding donations or DCG fund balances can be directed to LCIF Donor Services at [donorassist@lionsclubs.org](mailto:donorassist@lionsclubs.org). Questions regarding DCG applications and grant information should be emailed to [LCIFdistrictandclub@lionsclubs.org](mailto:LCIFdistrictandclub@lionsclubs.org). View DCG frequently asked questions [here](#).

Once again, congratulations, and thank you for your district's financial support, which enables Lions in your district – and worldwide – to magnify their service impact. Sincerely, Lions Clubs International Foundation



## Global Action Team (GAT) Membership

by Betty Anne Herbert

Members join for a number of reasons:

1. to serve their community
2. to be involved with a specific service or cause
3. to serve with friends or family

## Victoria Lions

Honorary teammate Olivia set up a stand on Dallas Road today and sold \$2188.40 worth of lemonade to support Tour de Rock and her Victoria Police Department rider Constable Van Sweiten.



## Nanoose Bay Lions

by Pam Tremblett

Nanoose Bay Lions Club is off to a ROARING start. Sustainability and the Environment will be a major focus for our club this year. We are currently investigating and researching the possibilities for our club and more to come on this in future newsletters.

The NBLC wants to announce that we are in the process of ordering our Christmas Cakes which will be for sale as soon as they arrive. We are taking pre-orders now and you can contact Phil Wilson at [pkwilson270@gmail.com](mailto:pkwilson270@gmail.com) for this. This year we will be adding 'maple and walnut' fudge to the selections.



Lion Yvonne Zillmann is our Step Challenge Coordinator for the year. Our club is actively "stepping" it up for this challenge.

BINGO!! at Nanoose Place every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. We have many dedicated Bingo players who attend weekly and we welcome new players at any time. Why not give Bingo a try??



## NORTHWEST LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

May 7-9, 2023

NWLL 2023 Ross Point Camp and Conference Center (Post Falls, ID). Dates: Thursday, May 7-9, 2023. Cost is: \$350 (a deposit of \$150 is required to be submitted with the application). MD19 Foundation financially supports this institute with a \$200 grant to each participant, so total cost is only \$150. Please plan this year to include sending members of your club. Any questions, please contact: Laura Wintersteen-Arleth, Superintendent 2023 NWLLI. [lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com](mailto:lionlaurawintersteen@gmail.com)







## Duncan Lions

by Maggie Wall

Right—Duncan Lions and Knights of Columbus at Cowichan exhibition manning the gate



Left—Volunteering at the Capitals Hockey game.

## Nanaimo Lions

By Larrie Taylor

**MAFFEO SUTTON PLAYGROUND** - In May, the Nanaimo Lions donated \$26,000.00 towards the cost of a barrier free playground in the Maffeo Sutton Park in downtown Nanaimo. Construction is now well underway .



**MAFFEO SUTTON PAVILION** - In 1992-1995, the Nanaimo Lions built the Maffeo Sutton Pavilion in the Maffeo Sutton Park.

At that same time, they began selling memorial plaques by which family and friends could honour those who were deceased. This program is almost complete due to



the available space is almost full but in the last week members installed new plaques.

## NANAIMO LIONS FREE SKATE



The 12th Annual Lions Free Skate began on September 11. This program, which runs every Sunday to the end of March, has been enjoyed by over 55,000 skaters to date. We are able to provide this service due to the generosity of our sponsors. Save On Foods is our Title sponsor. The other sponsors include Alexanders Restaurant, Chris Martin Remax, GF, Little Valley Restoration and Glass, Nanaimo Hearing Clinic, Pure Body Balance, Roto Rooter, and Widsten Property Management.

## VISION SCREENING

We in conjunction with the Hub City Lions club will begin the Vision Screening of all Grade 4 and 7 students in School District 68.



With much sadness I report that great past member, Bert Stringer suffered a major cardiac attack and kidney failure, resulting in his passing away July 8th. Bert spent many years as an excellent Lions member, and was our president in 1990 / 91, and 1993 / 94, plus being a Lions Housing Soc. Committee member for 20+ years.

Bert was very active in the Nanaimo Lions Club, and sat as President for 1990/91 & 1993/94. During his time with the Lions, he helped with many fundraisers and events. One of his favorite things to do was to play Santa at the Christmas events for the children. Bert was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone that needed it. He had a sharp wit and was quick to use it.



## Lions Foundation of Canada – Dog Guides future!

Building the Future of Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides The time has come to expand into a proper facility to allow us to provide the very best experience for Canadians with disabilities who can benefit from a Dog Guide. As demand for Dog Guides grows, we need a new facility that can help us grow as well. Our current facility has reached it's capacity for both dogs and people, and is not fully accessible. We require a building that takes into account client needs and incorporates leading- edge design to be not just fully accessible but goes beyond AODA compliance, which is why we have plans to build a new, state of the art training school, which will be the first of it's kind in Canada. Building completion is targeted for early 2025 and will help us serve more people, raise and train more dogs, and do so in a comfortable and accessible manner.



Current facility



Proposed Facility

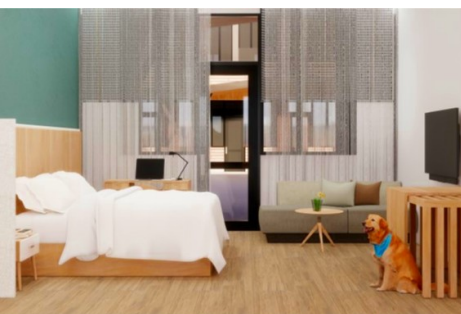
To do so, we are embarking on a mission to raise \$25 million, the largest fundraising campaign the Lions Foundation of Canada has ever taken on. Working together as a community, we can raise the funds necessary to make sure Canadians with disabilities have access to this one-of-a-kind training facility in Canada.

Building highlights include:

- 89,000 sqft new training school that is designed and built specifically for Dog Guide training.
- fully accessible for people/disabilities to experience the best learning environment possible.
- A larger and improved kennel, with indoor and outdoor spaces to learn, play and relax.
- An expanded veterinary clinic for all puppies and dogs in training.
- 36 accessible and comfortable client bedrooms for people in training with their Dog Guide.
- Dedicated training spaces and classrooms for each of the 7 Dog Guide programs.



Proposed entrance



Please stay tuned for details as LFCDG will embark on 'The Difference' Campaign. Together we can build the largest service dog school in Canada, increasing our impact by matching more Dog Guides with recipients. Because when a dog's potential is unleashed, so is a person's.

### The Difference Campaign

Lions Clubs have contributed substantial funding to every capital campaign in the foundation's history. Our current school has reached maximum capacity for both dogs and people. Help us build for the future and make a difference by training more dogs and helping more people. For more information, email: [thedifference@dogguides.com](mailto:thedifference@dogguides.com) or call 1-800-768-3030, ext.0.



We are very excited to announce the grand total for this year's Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides is **\$1,017,626!** Thanks to Pet Valu and our local sponsors, all donations from these events go directly to our seven Dog Guide programs. Thank you so much to all of the walk organizers, sponsors, donors, volunteers and participants for all of your hard work, support and dedication. We couldn't have done it without you!

We have a number of Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides locations taking place this fall. To check out the locations hosting in September and October, please visit the Walk Locations page of the Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides website

[www.walkfordogguides.com](http://www.walkfordogguides.com)





# Victoria Chinatown Lioness Lions

by Amanda Mills

Our Club's Charter Lunch celebration will take place on Saturday, October 22, 2022. It will be a Chinese lunch at Sidney Harbour House restaurant, Beacon St., from 11:30am to 2:00pm. Tickets are available online at: [www.victoriachinatownlionesslions.ca](http://www.victoriachinatownlionesslions.ca) - \$ 25/person. You can also e-transfer to [ChinatownLionessPayments@gmail.com](mailto:ChinatownLionessPayments@gmail.com) We expect to sell out quickly!



CHARTER CELEBRATION  
OCTOBER 22ND  
11:30 - 2:00 luncheon



August 20th was the Ryder Hesjahl Tour de Victoria bicycle race. Our Club members operate the first water and energy bar station, handing out water to riders of all ages and abilities.

<<<<<Team of Volunteers; Joanne & Susanne.



On September 5, some of our members volunteered and participated in the 100th Anniversary of the Chinese Student Strike. The purpose of the event was to gather at George Jay School to remember the elementary school Chinese Canadian students who were being removed from classes at the school, and marched through the local streets to the site of a 'Chinese' only school. The School District decided that Chinese students could not attend the district schools. The students disbanded their forced march to the Chinese school and went on strike

to not attend school for a year. About 600 people joined the walk along the historic route, and attended the school site where the School Board 61 Chair made a formal apology and presented a plaque that will be on display at the Victoria Chinatown Museum Society in Fan Tan Alley. Our Club donated \$ 2,500 as a Bronze sponsor to the VCMS.



CCBA Pres, School Bd. Chair>>>>>>



September 26 is National Dumpling Day and once again we prepared 109 bags of various dumplings, chili oil, dipping sauce, Silk Road tea sachets and gift certificates from La Roux Patisserie. The bags can be purchased online at [www.victoriachinatownlionesslions.ca](http://www.victoriachinatownlionesslions.ca) for \$ 65.00.

<<<<<<<<<<dumpling setup; brochures.

Our members are involved on several not-for-profit board of directors; volunteer at Government House Museum, Soap for Hope, school breakfasts, culinary events, church community programmes, Dragon Boat, Herowork projects and many other activities.



Members leave because many of those reasons are not fulfilled. It is critical that new members are made to feel welcome, and their opinions are sought.

It's equally important to involve all members in club activities, and that activities are meeting the needs and desires of club members. This might mean finding news ways to serve: updating club traditions.; start new traditions: and being open to new ideas. It may also mean ensuring that all members are given an opportunity to lead--either as a club officer or chairperson of a club project. Retaining our members is incumbent upon all lions.





# Ladysmith

by Allen McDermid

19-I DG Lia Versaevel presenting the Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship Award to Lion Wayne Switzer.



Preparing for the Ladysmith Agriculture Hall 100th Anniversary event. Saturday September 24th. The Ladysmith Lions Club offered FREE popcorn.

The Ladysmith Lions Club proudly support the Community Circles Restorative Justice Society (CCRJS). L/R District Governor Lia Versevel, Deanna Wrate (CCRJS), Ladysmith Lions President Eric Mah. Back Row L/R, Past DG Lion Bill Koski, Lion Dennis Hird and Lion John Shepherd. For more information about the CCRJS please check out their websites



DG Lia & ZC Margret Wall



DG Lia & New Lion Inductee Krista Convey with President Eric Mah



Past DG Bill Koski and New 19-I DG Lia Versaevel exchanging DG pins

## .IT'S BACK!

That is right, the FREE SWIM is happening starting on Wednesday September 21st, at the Frank Jameson pool, from 1 to 2PM. A big thank you to our co-sponsors, McNab's Corn Maze and the Town of Ladysmith Parks, Rec., and Culture. So come on down and enjoy and have a splash!

**Retired Lions Logo** The emblem on the left is retired. Please use the correct and up to date emblem to promote Lions Clubs.



**The Lions Quest Fellowship** was established in 2003 to recognize Lions Club members and other deserving recipients who truly care about Canadian children, regardless of the challenges they may face or the gifts they may possess. Lions Quest Fellows receive a crystal vase on a rosewood base with an engraved base plate and a lapel pin.

The Lions Quest Fellowship funds will be used to promote, enhance and expand the work being done to 'empower adults to develop healthy, capable young people of strong character' – our Mission.

For more information <https://www.lionsquest.ca/support-us/lions-quest-fellowship/>



## Willow Point Lions

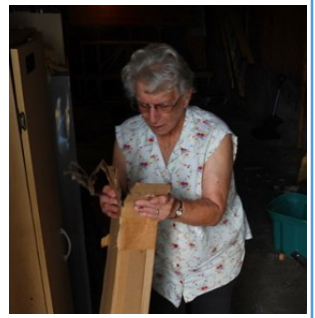
By Ken Beattie

Everyone knows that when you have a basement storage area that is where things go to die or be totally forgotten. Our hall is no different than your home. With the addition of being close to the water, we have had some unwanted visitors on occasion that can find their way in but never seem to be able to leave.



Recently we held a cleanup. Masked up not for Covid but for the dust and smells. Such a seemingly small space attracted more than I expected. No one seems to remember the last time it was cleared out. I knew it wasn't in the 6 years I have been a member.

So with gloves, masks and disposable clothes we attacked. Lion Della outworked me. By the end of the work party, the dumpster was almost full. The Restore was called for a pickup and we headed home for showers and a throat cleansing. Hope we don't have to do it again for a long... long... time.



A Surprise entry for the Campbell River Car Show and Shine was our Lions Mobility Buggy. Created by member Moe Vesey's husband and restored by a team of volunteers.

It was very popular with the younger crowd as a photo op. Made a perfect opportunity to get people to know the Lions and encourage new members.



### ***First Person article by Moe Vesey - Willow Point Lions VP***

In 2014, John Lyttle & Len Larken, became friends in Chemainus, BC, Canada. Len had been a Lion elsewhere & thought the Chemainus/Crofton area needed a Lions Club. They managed to get a group of us together & the C to Sea Lions Club was created!

In the meantime, Len asked Johnny to create a 'One of a Kind' Mobility Scooter. Len was having difficulty getting around & had Cancer. Well, Johnny pulled the design & measurements from his head & got to work. With Russell Knight, & Tom Marten assisting, the 'Abemobile' was created. It is called the 'Abemobile' because Len looked alot like Abe Lincoln, when wearing his Top Hat. It is painted bright yellow & he wanted to take it in local parades, representing our C to Sea Lions Club.

Well, Johnny was just about finished it, at least it 'went forward', when Len passed away. Johnny worked on it a bit, but then he passed away Oct 6, 2016. The Abemobile sat & sat & sat - no one knew how to get it going!

I, moved to Campbell River, brought everything & the kitchen sink - including the non working Abemobile. I joined the Willow Point Lions Club & really wanted to get the Abemobile working. My friend, Tom Martin, had moved back to Campbell River, with his 2 sons, previous to my coming up. Tom, somehow found a wonderful man in Port McNeil, name Ryan Mitchel, who has a Scooter business & he was willing to work on the special Scooter. I put it in the back of my truck & drove the 1 1/2 hours to Port McNeil & the rest is History. Ryan was able to get it working & was able to get the Lions International logo put on it in 3 places.

Tom Martin (in the Tie Dye tee shirt) & I were able to get it to the North Island Cruiser's Car Show - September 3rd with the help of retired Lion Ivan Charette. We let lots of small children sit in it, using it as a bit of a photo booth for parents & granparents. It was a wonderful day, lots of exposure for our Willow Point Lions Club.

The plan is to use it in local Parades or Car Shows. It is not for everyday use, just Special Occassions.

Thanks, Lion Moe Vesey

Vice President

Willow Point Lions



## Comox Valley Monarch

by Cec Specht



Lion President Frank was pleased to present a donations of \$4000 for a Camp Shawnigan Camper-ship and \$2500 (in memory of Lion Norm Lundie) to Easter Seals PDG Ron Dalton, Director for BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities

The Comox Valley held their 2nd Annual Golf Ball Drop fundraiser, another tremendous success, on September 9th at Crown Isle Golf Course in Courtenay. The Courtenay Fire Department again provided a ladder truck to raise and drop the golf balls. The event was broadcast live with the Upside Guys on CHEK TV's six o'clock news. The event was a sell out allowing us to raise and give back to the community, over \$14000. Thanks to all the lions throughout the District who purchased golf balls this year.



1st Prize \$3000 Barry Herbert



2nd Prize \$1000 Steve Evans



3rd Prize \$500 Betty Goodwin



4th Prize \$ 500 Sharon Killberg

We look forward to having our 3rd Annual Golf Ball Drop next year.



## Photo of the Month

By Bob Orchard



<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/club-excellence-awards>

The District & Club Administration Division is happy to announce the release of a vanity URL for the Club Excellence Award Webpage.



## October 2022

### Did you know that October is:

- Vision Awareness Month
- Lions Membership Growth Month
- Leo Membership Growth Month

Visit the link below to learn more about Lions Vision Global Cause:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/vision>



## Clallam Bay Sekiu Lions Continue Sustainable Agriculture Projects on the West End of the Olympic Peninsula in Washington State.

Friends of Hoko River State Park, working with Clallam Bay Sekiu Lions, are a group of volunteers who work to support the Hoko River State Park and Cowan Ranch Heritage Area. They work with multiple partners to provide opportunities to learn and practice sustainable agriculture practices.

In 2013, a small group of volunteers re-established the kitchen garden at the Cowan Ranch Heritage Area. The late Lion, Emil Person, cousin of John Cowan, dug the garden from sod and assisted in the planting, just as he had done when his cousin was alive. He wrote a list of vegetables to grow and drew a map of how the garden should be planted. He provided seed potatoes from his garden, (Ozette's, Yellow Finns, and Multipliers), and showed the group how to plant them with a sprinkle of powdered milk. Emil linked the past to the future, carrying on the traditions of using your labor and industry to grow your own food.



DG Lia Versaavel and Lion Nancy Messmer tour the Cowan Heritage Farm



. Visitor Dan happy with rutabagas he picked

The small group of volunteers incorporated as Friends of Hoko River State Park in 2013, working with Washington State Parks and Clallam Bay Sekiu Lions. Lions Clubs across the globe are working to "Sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities (Lions Club International)." As part of their effort to meet this Lions strategic objective, the Clallam Bay Lions are the fiscal sponsor of the Friends of Hoko

River State Park and Lions dedicate themselves to multiple projects in the Park properties.

Ongoing service projects include planting, maintaining, harvesting and distributing vegetables from the kitchen garden, and creating demonstration plots to experiment with different crops and using a variety of methods, like Lasagna gardening and Hugelkulture. Volunteers re-established the pioneer orchard, made up of heritage trees donated to Hoko River State Park by the Olympic Orchard Society. Fenced elk enclosures are intended to keep the trees safe from elk during the winter months. Lions also work with the North Olympic Salmon Coalition and local students on the Hoko River Stream Habitat Restoration project. Other projects include assisting in the monitoring and maintenance of the Little Hoko River Trail, and hosting activities like beekeeping and Plein Air Painting at the farm.



Volunteers harvest vegetables and donate boxes of food to various groups. They donate plants and seedlings regularly to visitors and neighbors, promoting the idea that people on the West End can grow their own food.

The Friends of the Hoko River State Park host tours and volunteer work groups on Sundays from 2-4 in July, August and September. Volunteers work on maintaining the flower gardens, the picnic area, welcome gardens and more. Visitors enjoy learning about the history of the Cowan Farm, and former residents and family members continue to visit and offer information and stories about the past. The Friends group hosts the Annual Potato Dig/Seed Swap and Harvest Celebration in September.

Friends of Hoko River State Park work closely with State Park staff to develop the Hoko River State Park as a gathering place and an attraction featuring sustainable agricultural projects. The Hoko River State Park offers essential Olympic Peninsula features including a gentle rain forest trail along the Little Hoko River, a historic ranch along the Hoko River that



Folk Art "Bug"

includes pastures where elk roam, and land along the Straits of Juan de Fuca. The Friends group is a dedicated group of citizens working to ensure that the Hoko River State Park will serve the public for many generations to come.





**Lions Quest**  
*Canada*  
 The Centre for Positive Youth Development

**Hello My Fellow Lions;**

Often when I attend meetings I hear Lions says they have never heard about Lions Quest Programs or Lions Quest Canada. How can this be? Why is it happening? Is the Information being forwarded to your Lions Club Members? Lions Quest Canada has been in existence for over 30 plus years. "The Centre for Positive Youth Development is proud to share the best current research and resources in the support of Positive Youth Development."

We forward information to your District Governors, Club Presidents and Secretaries hoping that the information is forwarded to your Club. Do you have a Lions Quest Chair within your Lions Club to collect the information and give a brief talk about Lions Quest? We have webinars available so you can learn about Lions Quest. Learning Lions Quest is layered!

Every year we ask Lions Clubs to budget \$500 towards Lions Quest. Why is it not happening in your Lions Club? Lions Quest Canada can only exist with your support. We can bring Lions Quest to your Community.

**Can you please place Lions Quest on your Clubs Agenda and support us?** We are very active on Vancouver Island. We have a Lions Quest District Committee and spending a Partnership Grant. On November 9 & 10, we will be holding two "face to face" Lions Quest Community Rallies that you can send a Lion to learn about Lion Quest & report back. More information on the locations will be sent out to your Lions Clubs when every detail is finalized. Lions Quest is the only Social Emotional Learning program that includes the Community. Schools and Students need this program while coming out of our Pandemic. You can help!

The Q Bear Membership District Challenge is still ongoing. Please can you support us Financially. Please purchase a Q Bear Membership and reward the Certificate and Lions Quest Pin to a fellow Lion or Community Person who does amazing work with Youth. Who is that person in your community that builds relationships with Youth and includes them in Service Projects. The cost is \$100.00. If an individual Lion purchases a Q Bear Membership, they will receive a Tax Receipt. Please call Kay Nelles at 1-800-265-2860, Extension 1 to make arrangements. If you are mailing a cheque, please make it payable to Lions Quest Canada. You can either mail it to Lions Quest Canada or directly to me.



Last note, we have set aside money for Teachers so they can attend a Social Emotional Learning K-8 Virtual Workshop that will only take 3 hours of their time to learn. They will receive their Grade Curriculum, Universal Guide Book and a USB Stick full of classroom material. Dates are posted on the Website. All they have to do is sign up and verify they are from a School located on Vancouver Island School Districts. It's first come first serve for the allocated funds!!

For more information on Lions Quest Canada, please visit <https://www.lionsquest.ca/resources/>



Please follow us on Facebook! We are "Lions Quest BC - Vancouver Island" or "Lions Quest Canada"  
 If you require further information, please reach out by email preferred.

Respectfully Submitted;  
 VDG Michael G Stanford, District 19-I Lions Quest Chair  
 Chairman of the Board For Lions Quest Canada  
 Victoria Lions Club





If you're looking for a free and easy way to create a website for your Lions Club, the e-Clubhouse is for you!

LionNet is proud to provide this resource to help Lions Clubs around the world build a useful, professional looking website. Designed with fill-in-the blank fields for even the least internet savvy, the e-Clubhouse allows you to:

Build and maintain a website for your club using a simple set of tools.

Keep your members – and community – up-to-date about the projects the club is working on.

Promote your club's activities and recruit new members.

You can choose between two predesigned Website templates that incorporate the Lions Clubs International brand. Both templates include links to information on the Lions Clubs International Website, including the Lions News Network, Lions Learning Center and more.

### e-Clubhouse Features

Each e-Clubhouse features:

**Club Home Page:** Feature a photo of your club members participating in a project or club activity and provide a brief history of your club.

**Calendar of Events:** Use the calendar to keep everyone informed of important dates.

**Club Projects:** Provide information on your projects and let your community know how they can support your projects.

**Photo Gallery:** Showcase your club's activities by posting photos of recent projects.

**Contact Page:** Post key contact information for people in your community to call so they can learn more about your club and get involved.

Up to five additional pages for your club's special functions or news.

### Member-Only Features

The member-only section provides a way for your members to communicate important club news, encourage attendance to meetings and recognize member dedication.

- Member Directory
- Message Boards
- E-vites
- Polls
- Member and Group Recognition page
- Newsletter template
- Group email

### Get Started Today

Submit an application to create a Website for your Lions club today. <https://e-clubhouse.org/application.php>

Contact Us - Email: [eclubhouse@lionsclubs.org](mailto:eclubhouse@lionsclubs.org) [Contact us](#) to have your login information reset. [dan@lionnet.com](mailto:dan@lionnet.com)

**Frequently Asked Questions and many helpful documents are on the e-clubhouse website.**

**EDITORS NOTE:** Many clubs have e-clubhouse webpage that have not been updated for a long time. If you have lost track of who is registered, email them and they will help you gain access again. There are a lot of useful links on the site to help you create and update your page.





**101<sup>ST</sup> MD19 ANNUAL CONVENTION** — It back LIVE! The 101<sup>st</sup> MD19 Lions Annual Conventions is just around the corner, in beautiful **Penticton, British Columbia Canada, from October 13–15, 2022**. Join your fellow MD19 Lions at the Penticton Lakeside Resort and Conference Centre, 21 Lakeshore Drive, West Penticton, BC, catch up on all the gossip, reintroduce yourself to your Lion friends and compatriots, and learn more about how to Serve. Download the convention package (<https://lionsmd19.org/downloads/convo2022/convention-instructions.pdf>) for details and important information. Download the conference registration form (<https://lionsmd19.org/downloads/convo2022/registration-form.pdf>), fill it out and send it in TODAY. Contact convention co-chairs Bob Elliott (wrjell99@telus.net) or Rick Harker (rickharker89@gmail.com) with questions.

**General Registration Information: Each person registering, must complete their own registration form. The early registration deadline is September 16, 2022.**



## Wounded Warrior Run BC

Hello My Lion Friends;

Thank you for being a part of Wounded Warrior Run BC, who will be running their 10th Annual Run down Vancouver Island during February 25 to March 6, 2023. On February 4, 2023, there will be the Wounded Warrior Run BC Gala Dinner. On February 5, 2023, there will be a One Day Run Event from Sooke to Sidney BC. The goal for this year is to raise \$250,000.00 and raising Education, Awareness and Stigma Reduction of Mental Health.

Our District has approved a Cabinet Committee so please report your Service Hours involving Wounded Warrior Run BC. Your Club can contribute in a few ways: the Best way, please organize a fund raiser within your Community and Invite Military, Veterans, Royal Canadian Legions, Law Enforcement, Fire, Paramedics, Coast Guard and the Royal Canadian Marine Search & Rescue crews to help out. Invite them to Lions. Prepare a joint press release with your Wounded Warrior Community Partner! In the spirit of Lions International ~ “Together We Can”



Another way is donate funds from your Activities or Gaming and present the cheque at on of their Run Stops along the way between Port Hardy to Victoria BC. Local Media will be present during the Run Stops. Wear your Lions Club Vests and come in numbers!! Show them your Support!



Our Gala Dinner Committee will be seeking donation assistance for door prizes etc. More information about the Gala Dinner will be coming out within the next few weeks. Wounded Warriors Run BC were extremely impressed with seeing Lions during last years event. Let’s show up bigger & better for 2023 and help them celebrate their 10th Annual Running Event. The Money raised on Our Island stays on Our Island. It helps not only Individuals with mental health, it helps Spouses and Children. It does go further with helping the Community. It matters when they feel their service and sacrifice is valued and Canadians Care, Understand, show Kindness and Generosity! The stigma of Mental Health is becoming less and is being recognized by the Lions of Canada. PID AI Hunt stated at a recent Lions of Canada Meeting that we should be aware more about Mental Health and how to respond just in case we find ourselves speaking to a person who needs Mental Health Intervention.

If you want to make a donation to Wounded Warrior Run BC, please send the cheque payable to "Wounded Warrior Run BC" to me. I will record and give the Cheques to the Organizers. Please indicate that you would like a tax receipt with return address.

For more information, please visit Wounded Warriors Canada <https://woundedwarriors.ca>

Respectfully Submitted;

**VDG Michael G Stanford, Wounded Warrior Run BC Gala Dinner & Cabinet Chair** Victoria Lions Club

# DISTRICT GOVERNOR Lia's CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE 2022 - 2023

Please note that this schedule may change due to things that are beyond our control

## August 2022

- 4 \_\_\_ Concert on the Green (Gabriola)
- 14 \_\_\_ **GAT**
- 16 \_\_\_ Port Hardy
- 17 \_\_\_ Port Alice
- 18 \_\_\_ Malcolm Island
- 21 **CABINET – Central Saanich**

## SEPTEMBER 2022

- 4 \_\_\_ Mayne Island BBQ
- 6 \_\_\_ Esquimalt
- 8 \_\_\_ Salt Spring Island
- 12 \_\_\_ Ladysmith
- 14 \_\_\_ Victoria
- 14 \_\_\_ Victoria Chinatown
- 20 \_\_\_ Duncan
- 21 \_\_\_ Clallum Bay/Sekiu
- 22 \_\_\_ Mill Bay
- 26 \_\_\_ Cowichan Lake
- 27 \_\_\_ Qualicum Bay

## OCTOBER 2022

- 3 \_\_\_ Cedar
- 4 \_\_\_ Sidney
- 13 \_\_\_ Crescent Bay
- 14 - 16 **MD CONVENTION - PENTICTON**
- 22 \_\_\_ West Shore
- 24 \_\_\_ Quilcene
- 26 \_\_\_ Port Angeles
- 27 \_\_\_ Sequim Valley

## NOVEMBER 2022

- 2 \_\_\_ Galiano Island
- 7 \_\_\_ Comox Valley Monarchs
- 8 \_\_\_ C to Sea
- 10 \_\_\_ Protection Island
- 20 **CABINET MEETING - Qualicum Bay**
- 22 \_\_\_ Alberni Valley
- 24 \_\_\_ Central Saanich
- 28 \_\_\_ Saturna

## DECEMBER 2022

- 1 \_\_\_ Malahat
- 12 \_\_\_ Saanich/Victoria Chinatown
- 13 \_\_\_ Sooke District Lioness Lions
- 14 \_\_\_ Sooke Harbourside
- 15 \_\_\_ Sooke

## JANUARY 2023 – No visitations DG Lia in Australia

## FEBRUARY 2023

- 6 \_\_\_ Nanaimo
- 7 \_\_\_ Parksville
- 9 \_\_\_ Nanoose Bay
- 13 \_\_\_ Gabriola Island
- 16 \_\_\_ Black Creek
- 20 \_\_\_ Baynes Sound
- 21 \_\_\_ Comox Valley
- 23 \_\_\_ Lynne (ZC) (Black Creek??)
- 28 \_\_\_ Nanaimo Hub City

## MARCH 2023

- 1 \_\_\_ Pender Island
- 14 \_\_\_ Port McNeill
- 21 \_\_\_ Tahsis
- 23 \_\_\_ Forks
- 26 **CABINET AND PDG MEETING - TBD**
- 27 \_\_\_ Nanaimo

## APRIL 2023

- 5 \_\_\_ Willow Point
- 6 \_\_\_ Gold River
- 15 **UNCONVENTIONAL CONVENTION**

## July 7 – 11, 2023 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS



Greetings fellow Lions. I would love to hear from you if you have something you'd like to share with MD 19-I Lions. It's very important that we **ROAR** and tell the world what we are doing. Jokes, stories, successes, challenges or anything you think might be of interest.

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*While I try not to make mistakes/omissions - I am only human, so when you see a mistake, let me know and I'll change it if I can. Yours in Lionism Evelyn*



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